



## Minutes of the Student Government Association September 15, 1998

**Call to Order:** Vice President Chad Lewis called the regular meeting of the Student Government Association to Order at 5:00pm in the Congressional Chambers of Downing University Center.

**Roll Call:** Vice President of Administration Matt Bastin called Roll. Those members absent included: Mandy Coats, Amy Burton, Joshua Hampton, Lindsey Sullivan, Phillip Stanley, Arcentra Beasley, James Mason, Mark Page, Julie Mitchell, Jennifer Walstrom, and Missy McKinnis.

**Minutes:** It was moved and seconded to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Motion approved.

**Officer Reports:** President, Stephanie Cosby – President Stephanie began her report by again apologizing for having to miss the retreat this past weekend. Stephanie reminded everyone of the cookout at President Ransdell's house following the Congress meeting. She asked that everyone try to walk or carpool to the house. Stephanie announced that the Board of Student Body Presidents is coming to Western this weekend. She encouraged everyone to come out and meet them during tailgating for the Eastern Kentucky game. President Stephanie also announced that there will be four upcoming meetings dealing with University Blvd. The meetings will be as follows: Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:30pm in the Regents in Room; Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm in McNeil Elementary School; Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm on the South Campus; and Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 2:30pm at Holley Performance Products on Russellville Road. Stephanie stressed the importance of the meetings and encouraged everyone to not only attend, but to bring a friend as well. Stephanie closed her report by asking for two congress members to serve on the Housing Appeals Committee.

Executive Vice President, Chad Lewis – Chad announced that this evening at 7:00pm there will be a candle light vigil to honor all the victims of sexual abuse at Van Meter Hall. Chad also asked everyone to get busy on writing legislation so that we can start getting to work.

Vice President of Finance, Carleton Ruminer – Carleton announced that the expenditures for the week totaled \$3,524.00 leaving the balance at \$38,259.00. The following Congress members will be on the Organizational Aide Committee: Larry Murphy, Carleton Ruminer, Courtney McNulty, Amanda Cole and Chad Lewis.

Vice President of Public Relations, Brad Sweatt – Brad began his report by passing out a sign up sheet for people to work the pig roast on Saturday. Brad also reminded those that signed up last week for the voter registration drive on Thursday, and the drive will be held from 11-4pm on DUC east lawn facing Central Hall. Brad also passed out Blood Drive flyers for the HOSA/SGA blood drive on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> in West Hall. He next went into discussion of the Homecoming Rules for the Stationary Float, they are being finalized by the homecoming committee and should be sent out to organizations next week along with a letter of intent. Brad finished his report by announcing that the SGA T-shirts will be ready next week.

Vice President of Administration, Matt Bastin – Matt announced the opening positions which are: Potter, Education, Business, and Graduate Colleges; senior reps, graduate, non-traditional, and freshman; and Barnes Campbell, Bates Runner, West, South, Douglas Keen, Florence Scheider, and North. He next went over the City Commission Liaison role and if anyone was



interested to please see him. Matt closed his report by asking that the committee chairs submit to him the goals that they set at the retreat.

**Committee Academic Affairs** – Larry Murphy began his report by thanking all of his members for the great attendance at his past meeting. He announced that his committee is looking into several projects. One is the Dead Week proposal that passed the Academic Council last year, and a second is providing all freshman in their seminar class a check list of things that they need to do with the advisor along with important test dates for them. He announced that due to the large attendance, his committee is planning on moving to DUC 308 to allow for more room.

**Student Affairs** – Tim Hatton announced that his last committee meeting was introductory in nature and that he spent a lot of his time letting members get to know each other. His committee will meet on Thursday at 4:00pm.

**Legislative Research** – Dwight announced no legislation went through his committee. He did ask that if anyone wanted to help on updating the bylaws to stop by his committee meetings on Mondays at 4:00pm.

**Campus Improvements** – Laura stressed her need for more committee members. She announced that her committee is continuing to look into the proposed crosswalk from the Environmental Sciences and Technology Building to Diddle Park. Her committee is also looking into the purchasing of a speaker phone. Finally her committee voted Matt Bogard to be their vice chair pending approval by Congress.

**Public Relations** – Vice Chair Billy Lyons gave the report in the absence of Chairwoman Amanda Cole. The public relations spent most of their committee meeting on Tuesday working on ideas for the SGA bulletin boards on campus. Billy said that several good ideas were proposed and the committee will continue to work on the ideas.

**Hillraisers** – Sally gave an extensive review of the upcoming football game Saturday and all the plans that Hillraisers has for the game. She went over the organization contest and reminded everyone that the deadline will be on Friday Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and the winners will be announced at the game.

**Academic Council Reports:** Potter College, Jason Nemes – No Report  
Ogden College, Mandy Coats – No Report  
Business College, Open – No Report  
Education College, Open – No Report  
Graduate College, Open – No Report

**COA:** The next meeting will be held on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm in DUC 305.

**Special Orders:** The following members were sworn in during the meeting: William Jones, Barnes Campbell; Adrienne Frey, Freshman Rep.; Brandon Griffey, at-large; and Jason Nemes, Potter College.

**Unfinished No Unfinished Business Business:**

**New Business:** Vice President of Administration Matt Bastin read over the Homecoming Rules for the Homecoming Queen. Discussion was brought up over the issue of the G.P.A. and why a part time student could not run for queen. A motion was made by Mitchell Bailly to table to rules till questions could be answered and the motion was seconded. Following a hand count vote the motion was defeated. A motion was made by Rick Malek to defeat the rules and it was

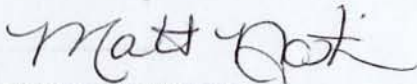
seconded. Following a hand count vote the motion was defeated. A motion was made by Eddie Schwab to pass the rules and it was seconded. The motion was approved.

The following Vice-Chairs in the committees were approved by Congress: Joe Matheis, LRC; Billy Lyons, Public Relations; Kyle Matthews, Academic Affairs.

**Announce-ments:** Christoph Miller encouraged everyone to join the University Center Board. Rick Malek announced that the Young Democrats will meet at 8:30pm in DUC 305 on Wednesday. Eddie Schwab asked everyone to come out to the College Republican meeting held at 6:00pm following the Congress meeting. Laura Hancock reminded everyone that she still needs committee members.

**Adjourn-ment:** Jeff Baynham moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Matt Bastin".

Matthew David Bastin  
VP of Administration, 1998-1999